

REMARKS

A statement that the present application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2003/003634 has been added immediately after the TITLE.

Claims 3-4, 6, 10, and 15-18 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies to conform with U.S. practice and to minimize filing fees.

Claims 12 and 19 have been canceled without prejudice.

Claim 13 has been amended to recite a "method for protecting human hair or human skin from UV-A irradiation...." Support for this amendment is found in the specification at, for example, page 9, lines 6-22 and page 17, lines 12-27; in Examples 11 and 12; and in original claim 14. See *In re Gardner*, 177 USPQ 396, 397 (CCPA 1973) and MPEP §§ 608.01(o) and (l) (8th ed. Rev. 2, May 2004, pp. 600-73 and 600-81 to 600-82).

Claim 14 has been amended to recite a "method for protecting a plastic material or a medicinal product that is sensitive to UV radiation...." Support for this amendment is found in the specification at, for example, page 9, lines 6-10 and in original claim 15. See *id.*

Claims 20 and 21 have been added to present subject matter previously claimed in multiple dependent form in claim 18. Support for these claims is found in the specification at, for example, page 9, lines 14-22 and page 17, lines 12-27; in Examples 11 and 12; and in original claim 18. See *id.*

It is submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the foregoing amendments. Approval and entry of the amendments is respectfully solicited.

Favorable action on the merits including entry of the Preliminary Amendment prior to examination on the merits and allowance of all the claims, respectfully, is requested. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this paper, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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